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HW MIDEAST SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 114 9 NOV 73 AS OF 1600
FOR SECSTATE KISSINGER.

GENERAL

1. BOTH FRONTS WERE CALM TODAY AFTER THE DOWNING
OF AN ISRAELI AIRCRAFT BY AN EGYPTIAN SAM THIS MORNING.
VARIOUS MILITARY UNITS WERE WARNED BY EGYPTIAN HEADQUARTERS
TO BE PREPARED FOR ISRAELI RETALIATION, AND ALTHOUGH
ISRAELI AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN NOTED ACTIVE OVER THE CANAL
FRONT AND OVER NORTHERN ISRAEL THROUGH EARLY AFTERNOON,
THERE ARE NO REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS INVOLVING
ISRAELI AIRCRAFT OR GROUND UNITS. EXCEPT FOR EXTENSIVE
ISRAELI RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS OVER THE CANAL FRONT,
THERE ARE NO NEW INDICATIONS OF AN IMMINENT RESUMPTION
OF HOSTILITIES.

2. ACCORDING TO A REUTERS REPORT FROM TEL AVIV,
ISRAEL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL ACCEPT THE SIX-POINT
AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT, ANNOUNCED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER,
ONLY AFTER A SPECIAL CABINET MEETING CALLED FOR THIS
EVENING. THE ISRAELI PRESS IS STILL CLAIMING THAT LIFT-
ING OF THE BAB AL-MANDAB BLOCKADE IS A CONDITION OF THE
AGREEMENT.

SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL MEETING:

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NEITHER BRANDT, SWEDISH
PRIME MINISTER, NOR AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR KREISKY IS
ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ATTENDING THE MEETING; THEY SEE PROBLEMS
TRYING TO RECONCILE ANY SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL EXPRESSION
OF SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST RESOLUTION
ADOPTED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY'S COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
ON 6 NOVEMBER.

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THE
CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED FOR 11 NOVEMBER IN LONDON.//
FAYSAL GREETINGS TO MOSCOW

4. UPI HAS PUBLICIZED THE MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS
AND GOOD WISHES CABLED BY KING FAYSAL TO THE SOVIET
LEADERSHIP AND PEOPLE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCTOBER
REVOLUTION. FAYSAL'S UNCHARACTERISTIC GESTURE, ORIGINALLY
BROADCAST OVER THE RIYADH RADIO ON 7 NOVEMBER, IS INTER-
PRETED BY UPI AS A STRONG WARNING BY THE KING TO THE UNITED
STATES.

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